

AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 23, 2013

SENATE BILL

No. 723

Introduced by Senator Correa
(Coauthors: Senators Leno and Lieu)

February 22, 2013

An act to add Section 325.51 to the Unemployment Insurance Code, relating to veterans.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 723, as amended, Correa. Veterans.

Existing law requires the Employment Development Department, in consultation and coordination with veterans' organizations and veteran service providers, to research the needs of veterans throughout the state and develop a profile of veterans' employment and training needs and to seek federal funding for those purposes.

This bill would require the Employment Development Department and the Department of Consumer Affairs, on or before January 1, 2015, jointly to present a report to the Legislature ~~addressing specified matters relating to military training programs and state credentialing programs~~ *containing best practices by state governments around the nation in facilitating the credentialing of veterans by using their documented military education and experience.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 ~~SECTION 1. Section 325.51 is added to the Unemployment~~
- 2 ~~Insurance Code, to read:~~

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2 SECTION 1. *Section 325.51 is added to the Unemployment*
3 *Insurance Code, immediately following Section 325.5, to read:*

4 325.51. *The Employment Development Department and the*
5 *Department of Consumer Affairs, on or before January 1, 2015,*
6 *jointly shall present a report to the Legislature containing all of*
7 *the following:*

8 ~~(a) Best best~~ practices by state governments around the nation
9 in facilitating the credentialing of veterans by using their
10 documented military education and experience.

11 ~~(b) Military occupational specialties within all branches of the~~
12 ~~United States Armed Forces that readily transfer to high-demand~~
13 ~~civilian jobs.~~

14 ~~(c) The departments' past and current efforts to collaborate with~~
15 ~~key public and private sector stakeholders to address the gaps~~
16 ~~between military training programs and state credentialing~~
17 ~~programs with respect to at least five specific vocations or~~
18 ~~professions that are credentialed or licensed by the Department of~~
19 ~~Consumer Affairs.~~